

### **Proposed bus route changes for fall 2012**

# Route 34 Express – Replace | Route 39 – Replace

## **Proposal**

• Replace Route 34 Express (current map) and Route 39 (current map) with service on new Route 50 (proposed map).

## **Same as November 2011 suggestion**

#### Reason(s) based on Metro's Service Guidelines

- **Performance.** Metro's service guidelines call for us to examine and consider changes for routes that score in the bottom 25 percent in one or both of the measures Metro uses to rate performance rides per platform hour and passenger miles per platform mile.
  - During peak hours, both routes perform in the bottom 25 percent of routes serving downtown Seattle on the measure of passenger miles per bus mile. At night and during off-peak daytime hours, Route 39 is also in the bottom 25 percent of routes serving downtown Seattle on both measures Metro uses to rate performance (rides per bus mile and passenger miles per bus mile). Metro is proposing to consolidate these routes to improve individual route performance and performance of the transit network as a whole.
- Serve multiple destinations. Many Metro routes currently serve downtown Seattle.
   Reducing the number of direct connections to downtown Seattle would allow us to expand service to other places.
- **Space routes appropriately.** Route 34 Express travels within 1.3 miles of other routes that also serve Rainier Avenue S between S Othello Street and S Henderson Street.

#### Alternative service

- **Between downtown Seattle and the SODO Link station:** Take Link light rail or routes 101, 102, 106, 150, 177, 190, or 196 (links go to current maps).
- **Between the SODO Link station and Rainier Avenue S/S Genesee Street:** Take new Route 50, which provides access to the Columbia City Link station at S Edmunds Street.
- Between Rainier Avenue S/S Genesee Street and Seward Park Avenue S/S Othello Street: Take new Route 50.
- Between Seward Park Avenue S/S Othello Street and Rainier Avenue S/S Henderson Street: Go to Rainier Avenue S and take routes 7, 7 Express, or 9 Express (links go to current maps).

 Part of Seward Park Avenue S between S Othello Street and S Henderson Street would have no bus service.

## **Service frequency**

Route	Minutes between buses				
	Weekday			Saturday	Sunday
	Peak	Off-Peak	Night		
7	10-15	10	15-30	12	15
50	20	30	60	30	60
101	15	30	30	30	30
102	13 trips				
106	15-30	30	30-60	30	30
150	15	15	30	15	30
177	31 trips				
190	11 trips				
196	13 trips				
Link light rail	7.5	15	30	10-15	10-15

Trips on Route 7 Express during peak hours: 4 morning and 4 afternoon/evening
Trips on Route 102 Express during peak hours: 6 morning and 7 afternoon/evening
Trips on Route 177 Express during peak hours: 16 morning and 15 afternoon/evening
Trips on Route 190 Express during peak hours: 6 morning and 5 afternoon/evening
Trips on Route 196 Express during peak hours: 7 morning and 6 afternoon/evening